

**Transit and Rail Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
July 29, 2016
1:00 – 4:00 PM
CDOT/HQ Auditorium**

Member	Organization	Yes	No	Member	Organization	Yes	No
Ann Rajewski	CASTA	X		Rob Eaton	Amtrak	phone	
Sara Cassidy	Union Pacific RR		X	Kurt Ravenschlag	TransFort		X
Bill VanMeter	RTD	X		Larry Worth	Rural Transit	X	
Craig Blewitt	Mountain Metro Transit	phone		Mike Ogborn	Omnitrax	X	
David Johnson	Roaring Fort Transit	phone		Danny Katz	CoPIRG	X	
Jim Souby	Colo Rail	X		Steve Hurlbert	I-70 Coalition / Local jurisdictions	X	
Matthew Helfant	DRCOG	X		Peter Rickershauser	BNSF Railway	X	
Terri Binder	Club 20		X	Will Jones	Greeley Evans Transit / Small urban areas	phone	
Vince Rogalski	STAC	X					

Others Present	CDOT Present
David Averill, City of Fort Collins (TransFort)	Mark Imhoff, Director/Division of Transit & Rail David Krutsinger, Deputy Director/DTR Mike Timlin, Bus Operations Manager/DTR Maria Johnson, Bus Operations/DTR Sharon Terranova, Senior Transit & Rail Planner/DTR Lindsay Post, Intern-Bus Operations/DTR Jeff Sanders, Transit Planner/DTR

1. Introductions/Meeting Overview/Welcome

Ann welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Sub-Committees - update

a. Statewide Transit Plan Implementation – David Krutsinger

- Scope of work is being developed to bring on a consultant

b. Performance Asset Management – Jeff Sanders

- FTA provided a final rule for asset management plan a week ago. Every agency must have an asset management plan.

- One idea is that the grant partners for CDOT could collaborate to come up with an asset management plan and participate in a group plan or opt out and come up with an individual plan.
- Reevaluating policy on how to award 5310 & 5311 awards with more demand
- The subcommittee will be meeting to discuss how the new requirements will be met. Fair, equitable and transparent policies will always be the goal.

c. Bustang Expansion/Rural Regional Bus Reconfiguration – Michael Timlin (attachment)

- The purpose is to improve connectivity throughout the state.
- Three phases – with phase 3 completion in fiscal year 2018/2019.

3. SB228 Transit Projects – David Krutsinger (attachment)

- SB228 is the supporting capital.
- Partial funding has hit our accounts allowing us to begin working on some projects.
- List of proposed projects is attached

The Committee called for a consensus and approved phases 1 and 2 on the SB228 list.

4. Bustang Quarterly Report - Mike Timlin (attachment)

- Bustang ridership continues to increase

5. Break

No break taken to get back on time schedule.

6. Flex Express to Boulder – Presentation (David Averill)

<http://www.ridetransfort.com/flex>

7. Colorado Interim Multimodal Freight Network – Jeff Sudmeier & Jason Wallis (attachment)

- Colorado can have up to 600 miles
- Colorado will make recommendations to USDOT
- Completely policy based plan

8. Multimodal Freight Plan update/State Passenger & Freight Rail Plan – Sharon Terranova

- This plan is a requirement of the Federal Railroad Administration.
- CDOT is doing an update of the 2012 rail plan
- Division of Transit & Rail and Division of Transportation Development are working together to create report
- The report is due September of 2017

9. Transit Grants Quarterly Report - David Krutsinger (attachment)

- Returned funds list is provided for transparency

10. Southwest Chief update – Jim Souby & Pete Rickershauser

- The Southwest Chief ridership shows great success.
- Welded rail changed the ride quality of the Southwest Chief

11. TIGER VII & VIII update – David Krutsinger

- TIGER VI work slated for completion by BNSF this year

- TIGER VII required additional work by June to satisfy FRA requirements
- TIGER VIII was not successful - alternative funding to be considered

12. Questions / Round Table

- Updates on other projects –
 - RFTA – follow up study on user numbers
 - CDOT Road X / driverless vehicles & RUC impacting CDOT planning
 - RTD A-line 6 months in – advice for front range passenger rail
 - MMT / Greeley facilities
 - I-25 North managed lanes

13. Adjourn

Ann adjourned TRAC meeting. Next TRAC meeting scheduled for October 28, 2016.